

Sets

Note 1

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Intuitively speaking, $\{\{c2::a \text{ set}\}\}$ is $\{\{c1::a \text{ collection of objects.}\}\}$

Note 2

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Intuitively speaking, a set is a collection of objects. $\{\{c2::\text{Those objects}\}\}$ are referred to as $\{\{c1::\text{the elements of the set.}\}\}$

Note 3

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Given a set A , we write $\{\{c2::x \in A\}\}$ if $\{\{c1::x \text{ is an element of } A.\}\}$

Note 4

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Given a set A , we write $\{\{c2::x \notin A\}\}$ if $\{\{c1::x \text{ is not an element of } A.\}\}$

Note 5

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Given two sets A and B , $\{\{c1::\text{the union}\}\}$ is written $\{\{c2::A \cup B.\}\}$

Note 6

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Given two sets A , and B , $\{\{c2::\text{the union}\}\}$ is $\{\{c3::\text{defined}\}\}$ by the rule

$$x \in \{\{c2::A \cup B\}\} \text{ provided that } \{\{c1::x \in A \text{ or } x \in B.\}\}$$

Note 7

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Note 9

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The set of natural numbers is denoted \mathbf{N} .

Note 10

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$$\mathbf{N} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}.$$

Note 11

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The set of integers is denoted \mathbf{Z} .

Note 12

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$$\mathbf{Z} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}.$$

Note 13

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The set of rational numbers is denoted \mathbf{Q} .

Note 14

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$$\mathbf{Q} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \left\{ \text{all fractions } \frac{p}{q} \text{ where } p, q \in \mathbf{Z} \text{ and } q \neq 0 \right\}.$$

Note 15

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The set of real numbers is denoted \mathbf{R} .

Note 16

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The empty set is the set that contains no elements.

Note 17

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The empty set is denoted \emptyset .

Note 18

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Two sets A and B are said to be disjoint if $A \cap B = \emptyset$.

Note 19

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Given two sets A and B , we say $\{\{c2::A \text{ is a subset of } B\}\}$ or $\{\{c2::B \text{ contains } A\}\}$ if $\{\{c1::\text{every element of } A \text{ is also an element of } B\}\}$

Note 20

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Given two sets A and B , the $\{\{c3::\text{inclusion}\}\}$ relationship $\{\{c2::A \subseteq B \text{ or } B \supseteq A\}\}$ is used to indicate that $\{\{c1::A \text{ is a subset of } B\}\}$

Note 21

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Given two sets A and B , $\{\{c2::A = B\}\}$ means that $\{\{c1::A \subseteq B \text{ and } B \subseteq A\}\}$

Note 22

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Let A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots be an infinite collection of sets. Notationally,

$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n, \quad \bigcup_{n \in \mathbf{N}} A_n, \quad \text{or} \quad A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3 \cup \dots$$

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are all equivalent ways to indicate $\{\{c1::\text{the set whose elements consist of any element that appears in every } A_n\}\}$

Note 24

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Given $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$, $\{\{c2::\text{the complement of } A\}\}$ refers to $\{\{c1::\text{the set of all elements of } \mathbf{R} \text{ not in } A\}\}$

Note 25

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Given $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$, $\{\{c2::\text{the complement of } A\}\}$ is written $\{\{c1::A^c\}\}$

Note 26

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Given $A, B \subseteq \mathbf{R}$,

$$\{\{c2: (A \cap B)^c\}\} = \{\{c1: A^c \cup B^c.\}\}$$

« $\{\{c3: \text{De Morgan's Law}\}\}$ »

Note 27

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Given $A, B \subseteq \mathbf{R}$,

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« $\{\{c3: \text{De Morgan's Law}\}\}$ »

Note 28

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What is the key idea in the proof of De Morgan's Laws?

■ Demonstrate inclusion both ways.

Functions

Note 1

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Given two sets A and B , a function from A to B is a rule or mapping that takes each element $x \in A$ and associates with it a single element of B .

Note 2

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If f is a function from A to B , we write $f : A \rightarrow B$.

Note 3

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Let $f : A \rightarrow B$. Given $x \in A$, the expression $f(x)$ is used to represent the element of B associated with x by f .

Note 4

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Let $f : A \rightarrow B$. The set A is called the domain of f .

Note 5

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Let $f : A \rightarrow B$. The set $\{f(x) \mid x \in A\}$ is called the range of f .

Note 6

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Given a function f and a subset A of its domain, the set

$$\{f(x) : x \in A\}$$

is called the range of f over the set A .

Note 7

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Given a function f and a subset A of its domain, the range of f over A is written $f(A)$.

Note 8

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Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $A, B \subseteq D$. Is it unconditionally true that

$$f(A \cup B) = f(A) \cup f(B)?$$

■ Yes.

Note 9

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Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $A, B \subseteq D$. Is it unconditionally true that

$$f(A \cap B) = f(A) \cap f(B)?$$

■ No.

Note 10

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Given $\{c4::a, b \in \mathbf{R}\}$ and $\{c3::a \leq b\}$, $\{c2::$ the set

$$\{x \in \mathbf{R} : a \leq x \leq b\}$$

$\}$ is called $\{c1::$ a closed interval. $\}$

Note 11

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Given $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ and $\{c3::a < b\}$, $\{c2::$ the set

$$\{x \in \mathbf{R} : a < x < b\}$$

$\}$ is called $\{c1::$ an open interval. $\}$

Note 12

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Given $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ and $a \leq b$, $\{c1::$ the closed interval

$$\{x \in \mathbf{R} : a \leq x \leq b\}$$

$\}$ is written $\{c2::[a, b].\}$

Note 13

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Given $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$ and $a \leq b$, $\{c1::$ the open interval

$$\{x \in \mathbf{R} : a < x < b\}$$

$\}$ is written $\{c2::(a, b).\}$

Note 14

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Let $f(x) = x^2$. Find two sets A and B for which

$$f(A \cap B) \neq f(A) \cap f(B).$$

■ Singletons $\{-1\}$ and $\{1\}$.

Note 15

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Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $A, B \subseteq D$. Then

$$f(A \cup B) = f(A) \cup f(B).$$

Note 16

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Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$, $A, B \subseteq D$. Then

$$f(A \cap B) \subseteq f(A) \cap f(B).$$

Note 17

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Given $x \in \mathbf{R}$, the absolute value of x is denoted $|x|$.

Note 18

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Given $x \in \mathbf{R}$,

$$|x| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \begin{cases} x & \text{if } x \geq 0, \\ -x & \text{if } x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Note 19

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Given $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$, $|ab| = |a| \cdot |b|$.

Note 20

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Given $a, b \in \mathbf{R}$, $|a + b| \leq |a| + |b|$.

«Triangle inequality»

Note 21

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Let $f : A \rightarrow B$. The function f is $\{\{c2: \text{one-to-one}\}\}$ if $\{\{c1::$

$$a_1 \neq a_2 \text{ in } A \text{ implies that } f(a_1) \neq f(a_2) \text{ in } B.$$

$\}\}$

Note 22

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Let $f : A \rightarrow B$. The function f is $\{\{c2: \text{onto}\}\}$ if $\{\{c1::$

$$\text{the range of } f \text{ equals } B.$$

$\}\}$

Note 23

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Let $\{\{c4:: f : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}_*\}\}$ and $\{\{c3:: B \subseteq \mathbf{R}_*\}\}$. The set

$$\{x \in D : f(x) = B\}$$

$\}\}$ is called $\{\{c1::$ the preimage of B under the function f . $\}$

Note 24

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Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ and $A, B \subseteq \mathbf{R}$. Is it unconditionally true that

$$f^{-1}(A \cup B) = f^{-1}(A) \cup f^{-1}(B)?$$

■ Yes.

Note 25

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Let $f : D \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ and $A, B \subseteq \mathbf{R}$. Is it unconditionally true that

$$f^{-1}(A \cap B) = f^{-1}(A) \cap f^{-1}(B)?$$

■ Yes.

Logic and Proofs

Note 1

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Many mathematical theorems are conditional statements, whose proofs deduce conclusions from conditions. Given such a theorem, $\{\{c1::\text{those conditions}\}\}$ are known $\{\{c2::\text{as the theorem's hypotheses.}\}\}$

Note 2

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When in $\{\{c3::\text{a proof by contradiction}\}\}$ $\{\{c2::\text{the contradiction is with the theorem's hypothesis,}\}\}$ the proof is said to be $\{\{c1::\text{contrapositive.}\}\}$

Note 3

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Two real number a and b are $\{\{c4::\text{equal}\}\}$ $\{\{c3::\text{if and only if}\}\}$ $\{\{c2::\text{for every real number } \epsilon > 0 \text{ it follows that}\}\}$ $\{\{c1::|a - b| < \epsilon.\}\}$

Note 4

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Two real number a and b are equal \iff for every real number $\epsilon > 0$ it follows that $|a - b| < \epsilon$. What is the key idea in the proof?

■ By contradiction.

Note 5

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Let $\{\{c3::S \subseteq \mathbf{N}.\}\}$ If $\{\{c2::S \text{ contains } 1\}\}$ and $\{\{c2::\text{whenever } S \text{ contains } n, \text{ it also contains } n + 1,\}\}\}$ then $\{\{c1::S = \mathbf{N}.\}\}$

Note 6

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Let $S \subseteq \mathbf{N}$. If S contains 1 and whenever S contains n , it also contains $n + 1$, then $S = \mathbf{N}$. This proposition is the fundamental principle behind $\{\{c1::\text{induction.}\}\}$

Note 7

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Does an induction argument imply the validity of the infinite case?

■ No, it doesn't.

Note 8

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Do De Morgan's rules hold for an infinite collection of sets?

■ Yes, they do.

Note 9

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How De Morgan's rules for an infinite collection of sets defer from that for a finite collection?

■ They are essentially the same.

The Axiom of Completeness

Note 1

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First, \mathbf{R} is $\{\{c1::\text{an ordered field, which contains } \mathbf{Q} \text{ as a subfield.}\}$

Note 2

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What is the key distinction between \mathbf{R} and \mathbf{Q} ?

■ The Axiom of Completeness.

Note 3

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$\{\{c1::\text{Every nonempty set of real numbers}\}$ that is $\{\{c2::\text{bounded above}\}$
 $\}$ has $\{\{c3::\text{a least upper bound.}\}$

« $\{\{c4::\text{Axiom of completeness}\}\}$ »

Note 4

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Given a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$, $\{\{c3::\text{a number } b \in \mathbf{R}\}\}$ such that $\{\{c2::a \leq b \text{ for all } a \in A\}\}$ is called $\{\{c1::\text{an upper bound for } A.\}\}$

Note 5

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A set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ is $\{\{c2::\text{bounded above}\}\}$ if $\{\{c1::\text{there exists an upper bound for } A.\}\}$

Note 6

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Given a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$, $\{\{c3::\text{a number } b \in \mathbf{R}\}\}$ such that $\{\{c2::a \geq b \text{ for all } a \in A\}\}$ is called $\{\{c1::\text{a lower bound for } A.\}\}$

Note 7

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A set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ is $\{\{c2::\text{bounded below}\}\}$ if $\{\{c1::\text{there exists a lower bound for } A.\}\}$

Note 8

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A set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ is $\{\{c2::\text{bounded}\}\}$ if $\{\{c1::\text{it is bounded above and below.}\}$

Note 9

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Let $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$. A real number s is the least upper bound for A if

- s is an upper bound for A ;
- if b is any upper bound for A , then $s \leq b$.

Note 10

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The least upper bound of a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ is also frequently called the supremum of A .

Note 11

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The least upper bound of a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ is denoted $\sup A$.

Note 12

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Let $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$. A real number s is the greatest lower bound for A if

- s is a lower bound for A ;
- if b is any lower bound for A , then $s \geq b$.

Note 13

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The greatest lower bound of a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ is also frequently called the infimum of A .

Note 14

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The greatest lower bound of a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ is denoted $\inf A$.

Note 15

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Is it possible for a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ to have multiple upper bounds?

■ Yes.

Note 16

1c9d5ad3f35a47b0b12f27639fe4a409

Is it possible for a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ to have multiple least upper bounds?

■ No.

Note 17

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If s_1 and s_2 are both least upper bounds for a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$, then

$\{\{c1::$

$$s_1 = s_2.$$

$\}\}$

Note 18

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What is the key idea in the proof of uniqueness of the least upper bound?

■ $s_1 \leq s_2$ and $s_2 \leq s_1$.

Note 19

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Let $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$. $\{\{c4:: \text{A real number } b\}\}$ is $\{\{c3:: \text{a maximum of } A\}\}$ if b is $\{\{c2::$
an element of $A\}\}$ and $\{\{c1:: \text{an upper bound for } A\}\}$

Note 20

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Let $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$. A real number b is $\{\{c3:: \text{a minimum of } A\}\}$ if b is $\{\{c2:: \text{an}$
element of $A\}\}$ and $\{\{c1:: \text{a lower bound for } A\}\}$

Note 21

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Let $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ and $\{\{c3:: c \in \mathbf{R}\}\}$. Then $\{\{c2:: c + A\}\} \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{\{c1:: \{c + a : a \in A\}\}\}$.

Note 22

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Let $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ be nonempty and bounded above, and let $c \in \mathbf{R}$. Then

$$\sup(c + A) = c + \sup A.$$

Note 23

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Let $s \in \mathbf{R}$ be an upper bound for a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$. Then $s = \sup A$ if and only if, for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists an element a in A satisfying $s - \epsilon < a$.

Note 24

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Let $s \in \mathbf{R}$ be a lower bound for a set $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$. Then $s = \inf A$ if and only if, for every $\epsilon > 0$, there exists an element a in A satisfying $s + \epsilon < a$.

Note 25

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Let $A \subseteq \mathbf{R}$ be nonempty and bounded. How do $\inf A$ and $\sup A$ relate?

$$\inf A \leq \sup A.$$

Note 26

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Every nonempty set of real numbers that is bounded below has a greatest lower bound.

Note 27

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Every nonempty set of real numbers that is bounded below has a greatest lower bound. What is the key idea in the proof?

Infimum is the supremum for the set of lower bounds.